## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Assemblies \$

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION MAILED ON APRIL 15, 2009

Applicant files this Response to the Office Action mailed on April 15, 2009, having a three-month period for response ending on July 15, 2009.

Please consider the amendments and the remarks on the pages that follow.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 12.